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REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUING PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.53(b)(1)

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| Case No. | ANTICIPATED CLASSIFICATION OF THIS APPLICATION | | PRIOR APPLICATION EXAMINER | ART UNIT |
| 7871/18 | CLASS | SUBCLASS | M. Luu | 2672 |

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 Commissioner for Patents
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This is a request for filing a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b)(1), of pending prior application number 09/506,303, filed on 02/17/2000, entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING SHADING IN A GRAPHIC DISPLAY SYSTEM.

- ☒ Copy Of the Prior application, including 4 sheets of drawings, 36 pages of Application (including title page), and the following Appendices N/A.
- ☒ Copy of the Declaration filed in the Prior application.
- ☒ PTO Form 1449 and Information Disclosure Statement.

| CLAIMS | (1) FOR | (2) NUMBER FILED | (3) NUMBER EXTRA | (4) RATE | (5) CALCULATIONS |
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| | TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c)) | 17 - 20 = | -0- | x \$ 18 = | \$-0- |
| | INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b)) | 2 - 3 = | -0- | x \$ 84 = | \$-0- |
| | MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR 1.16(d)) | | | + \$280 = | \$ 0 |
| | | | | BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a)) | \$ 750 |
| | | | | Total of above Calculations = | \$750 |
| | | | | Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28) | \$375 |
| | | | | TOTAL = | \$375 |

- ☒ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27
 - ☐ is enclosed.
 - ☒ was filed in prior application number 09/506,303 and such status is still proper and desired (37 CFR 1.28(a)).
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Enclosed is a check for \$ 375.00 to cover the filing fees.
- ☐ Cancel in this application original claims _____ of the prior application and otherwise enter the attached preliminary amendment before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes).
- ☒ The inventor(s) of the invention being claimed in this application is(are): David J. Collodi.
- ☐ This application is being filed by less than all the inventors named in the prior application. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2), the Commissioner is requested to delete the name(s) of the following person or persons who are not inventors of the invention being claimed in this application: _____.
- ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: "This application is a ☐ continuation ☐ division of application number _____."

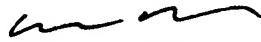
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11. ☐ New formal drawings are enclosed.
12. ☐ Priority of foreign application number _____, filed on _____ in _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.
☐ The certified copy has been filed in prior application number _____, filed
13. ☐ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
14. ☐ The prior application is assigned of record to _____.
15. ☒ Also enclosed: PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT.
16. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to: William F. Prendergast and other attorneys at the firm of BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE.
- a. ☒ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- b. ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- c. ☒ Address all future correspondence to: (may only be completed by applicant, or attorney or agent of record.)

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- ☐ Inventor(s)
☐ Assignee of complete interest
☒ Attorney or agent of record
☐ Filed under 37 CFR 1.34(a)
Registration Number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a): _____

| TRANSMITTAL LETTER | | | Case No. 7871/12 |
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| Serial No. 09/506,303 | Filing Date February 17, 2000 | Examiner M. Luu | Group Art Unit 2672 |
| Inventor(s) David J. Collodi | | | |
| Title of Invention METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING SHADING IN A GRAPHIC DISPLAY SYSTEM | | | |

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT; PTO-1449; ALL LISTED REFERENCES; CHECK FOR \$180 FILING FEE; RETURN POST CARD.

- ☒ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ Petition for a _____ month extension of time.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

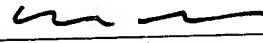
| | Claims Remaining After Amendment | | Highest No. Previously Paid For | Present Extra |
|---|----------------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Total | | Minus | | |
| Indep. | | Minus | | |
| First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim | | | | |

| Small Entity | |
|-----------------|-----------|
| Rate | Add'l Fee |
| x \$9 = | |
| x 42 = | |
| + \$140 = | |
| Total add'l fee | \$ |

| Other Than Small Entity | |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Rate | Add'l Fee |
| x \$18 = | |
| x \$84 = | |
| + \$280 = | |
| Total add'l fee | \$ |

- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE) in the amount of \$ _____. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$180 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,


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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on February 3, 2003.

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